Tendency or violation amongst teenagers

4377. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that there is a steep escalation in in tendency of violence among the teenagers;

(b) whether Government have enquired into the causes of this escalation of violence;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken to check the same?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) The figures published by the National Crime Records bureau show a decrease in crime involving violence committed by juveniles below 16 years in case of boys and 18 years in case of girls, during 1988, 1989 and 1990, as under:—

Crime Head	1988	1989	1990
Murder	661	496	377
Attempt to Commit Murder	271	255	218
C.H. not amounting to murder	41	52	38
Rape	317	263	184
Kidnapping & Abduction	314	179	92
(i) Of Women & girls	383	142	83
(ii) Of others	31	37	9
Dacoity	226	136	116
Preparation & Assembly for Dacoity	25	15	9
Robbery	408	258	185
Riots	3021	1916	1525

Similarly, there has been decline in the number of cases reported during 1990 as against 1989 under the local and special laws, as under :—

Crime Head	1989	1990
Arms Act	240	169
Explosives and Explosive Subs. Act.	48	17
Terrorist & Distrupt. Activities Act	54	12

(b) to (d) Does not arsie.

Allotment of Shops in Gandhi Nagar, Jammu

4374. SHRI SHABBIR SALARIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Aukaf of Jammu and invited applications for allotment of shops in Gandhi Nagar, Jammu and also charged advance of Rs. 5,000 from each applicants;

(b) if so, the details of such applicants and the amount collected from them;

(c) whether it is a fact that many shop and offices have been alloted by the Administrator, Aukaf in Gandhi Nagar, Jammu to persons other than those who had applied;

(d) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps Government propose to take to make allotments to the genuine applicants?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Ex-gratia payment to Harijans

@4375. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have issued any guidelines for the *ex-gratia* payment to Harijans in case of their murder;

(b) if so, whether these are uniformally followed by all the States;

(c) whether it is a fact that recently a poor Harijan was killed in Chinamadharam village of Nalgonda District of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the action taken thereon and whether the *ex-gratia* has been paid to the next of the kin of the victim?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Guidelines have been issued to States/Union Territories to arrange for proper and prompt relief and rehabilitation of the scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes affected by the atrocities *vide* Union Home Minister's d.o. letters dated 10th March, 1980 and 2nd November, 1981.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh and will be laid on the Table of the House.

@Previously Unstarred Question 3110, transferred from the 18th March, 1992.

Pesticides poisoning

@@4375-A. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTRUE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the recent Pesticide poisoning case reported from Sanjay Amar Colony of Old Delhi, if so, details of the pesticide consumed, name of the manufacturer and number of people killed and maimed;

(b) whether Government have apprehended the trader of this poison; and whether any compensation had been paid to the victims families; and

(c) what steps are being taken to prevent similar tragedies in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The following factual position is given based on the information received from the Delhi Administration:

(i) Of the 7 persons who were affected due to suspected phosphine gas poisoning, 4 persons died and 3 survive.

(ii) The report from Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL), Lodi Road, New Delhi, on the possible cause of poisoning/death is awaited.

(iii) No evidence is available with the Police regarding details of trade name of pesticides used, name of the manufacturer and the source of purchase.

(c) The Government has taken several steps to ensure that pesticides are safely handled and used. Some of the major steps taken are given below:

(i) The label and leaflets which invariably accompany the pesticide container give directions on the usage, safety measures to be observed first-aid measures and antidotes to be used in case of accidental poisoning.

@@Previously Unstarred Question 3562, transferred from the 25th March, 1992.